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Bell County Forestry Camp Receives Perfect Audit Score

FRANKFORT, Ky. (November 14, 2016) – Bell County Forestry Camp (BCFC) in Pineville received a perfect score on its recent re-accreditation audit from the American Correctional Association (ACA).

In announcing the score, Audit Chairman David Eberhand, a retired director from the Arkansas Department of Community Corrections, was very complimentary of the staff at BCFC and their job performance.

"During the tour it was evident that staff takes security seriously," said Eberhand. They don't do it for security sake, it's evident they do it for an environment where people have the greatest opportunity to change."

Commissioner Rodney Ballard also congratulated the BCFC employees. "I'm very proud of the staff at Bell County Forestry Camp for achieving a perfect score. The accreditation process isn't easy," said Ballard. "This score speaks volumes about their level of commitment to the job. It takes consistent diligence and hard work to meet the very tough standards that are in place for an ACA audit."

This audit marks the 10th accreditation for the prison. The prison has been accredited since 1990.

"I want to thank all the staff for their hard work and dedication," said Warden James David Green. "We have a very dedicated and professional staff that are willing to come into the institution every day and give 110%."

ACA consists of over 500 national standards that cover security, operational and programming aspects of a prison and require constant monitoring and quality control checks. Each prison is audited by ACA every three years and has an inter-departmental audit (Program Security Review) every year. Kentucky has been a member of ACA since the early 1980s.